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(b) whether the Government will take steps to divert the surplus water to Thoraipadi lake and thereby increase the water available for irrigation?

A.—The Government have no information. A report has been called for.

Police

Conveyance allowance to Sub-Inspectors of Police.

*1639 Q.—Mr. B. RAMACHANDRA REDDI: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that from the fixed travelling allowance of the Sub-Inspectors of Police a proportionate amount of the horse allowance is deducted for the number of days travelled; and

(b) whether for another grade of Sub-Inspectors of Police who get a lesser amount of fixed travelling allowance than the horse allowance a proportionate reduction is made in their pay for the days toured, when the proportionate fixed allowance per day is less than the horse allowance per day?

A.—(a) The hon. Member is referred to the answer given to clause (b) of question No. 1555.

(b) The question is not understood.

Village Establishments

Restoration of village officers.

*1640 Q.—Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state in reference to the reply given to Question No. 517, answered on 18th October 1927, regarding restoration of village officers—

(a) whether the information called for has been received;

(b) if so, what it is; and

(c) whether the question of reinstating all the assistant karnams has been considered?

A.—(a) & (b) The Board's final report on the subject has not yet been received. On receipt, a statement showing the details will be laid on the table of the House.

(c) The Government have considered the question and have decided that there is no need to restore all the assistant karnams as their strength was reduced not as a measure of retrenchment but because they were considered to be administratively unnecessary. They were not included in the statement of posts to be restored which was placed before the Select Committee on the Village Officers Restoration Bill.